

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Hatton Hall  
34 E 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Tempe, AZ 85281

6:00 PM

Commission Present:

Chuck Buss, Chair  
Marty Ball, Vice-Chair  
Matthew Bilsbarrow  
Chris Garraty  
Jim Garrison  
Elizabeth Gilbert  
Gregory Larson  
Laurene Montero  
Joe Nucci

Commission Absent:

City Staff Present:

John Larsen Southard, Historic Preservation Officer  
Robbie Aaron  
Alex Smith  
Brenda Abney  
Bonnie Richardson

Chair Buss called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Audience:
2. Approval of June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Meeting Minutes

**Commissioner Ball moved the Commission approve the June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nucci and passed with a vote of 9-0.**

3. Charles T. Hayden House (Monti's La Casa Vieja) / One Hundred Mill Update
  - a. Staff introduces the project team to provide the update
  - b. Question about the parapet and whether there will be a material change or simply a change in paint color
    - i. The roof is in good shape and the strategy would be to not do a whole lot to the roof
  - c. What do we know about the colors other than the 1924 restoration
    - i. Will have to play the colors by ear as the project team is trying to determine the original colors. Most likely the plaster was originally white. There is not much trim so that will be determined once it is figured out.
  - d. Question about the "square" on the NE corner of the property
    - i. The monument will be cut down to a wall/bench height for people to be able to gather if it is possible and practical
    - ii. Clarification about what would be done with the landscaping in the area
  - e. Question about the structure to the right of the entry that looks similar to a water heater closet
    - i. That is the housing for the fire sprinkler riser. Rather than move the riser the plan is to do a better job of disguising it.
    - ii. There was also a good amount of discussion about other ways to help with fire safety issues including a 20ft setback for other buildings per the development agreement
  - f. A statement thanking the project team for improving the project tremendously and that that is a result of listening to the Commission and the concerns and questions that were raised.
  - g. Comment about the feasibility of restoring the building with the courtyard and the understanding that this project is a win-win for the City and the project team

4. Rio Salado + Beach Park Masterplan Presentation

- a. Staff introduces Principal Planner Bonnie Richardson and informs the Commission of a slight change to the presentation
- b. Bonnie Richardson presents to the Commission on the Rio Salado Masterplan
- c. Question about the length of the loop around Tempe Town Lake
- d. Question about whether the team looked at other communities with similar configurations to Tempe's
  - i. There were many cities that were studied including places like LA and San Antonio
- e. Question about a way to include more trees in the plan
  - i. A volunteer tree planting was done in the area.
  - ii. There are some restrictions on planting trees around the lake but there could possibly be some more work to make it happen. It would take collaboration from many different entities.
- f. Question about the interaction between the Native American community and the project team
  - i. The project team has a scheduled meeting with them where the same presentation will be made to the Native American Community
  - ii. Through Rio Reimagined there have also been regular communications with adjacent communities
- g. Comment about the focal points of the park not actually being in the park but surround the park and that the revitalization of spaces such as the Flour Mill and Hayden House will have a spillover effect in to the park
- h. Comment about the viewshed to the Butte from the park as well as trailheads that get you to and from the Butte. Trailheads would potentially lead visitors to the water and provide additional influx to the Lake area
- i. Comment from staff that the approved plan for Phase 1 of the Flour Mill includes approval for a trailhead to the Butte at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street alignment.
- j. Comment about the current impacts to the viewshed of the Butte and the significance of the Butte to the Tribal Community and the how the impacts of the viewshed affect them.
- k. Question about how well we understand the cultural resources that are within the project area and what resources survive within the area.
- l. It is best that we come to an understanding about the resources within the area in order to tie everything together
- m. Staff suggests a follow up meeting with the Cultural Resources team at SRPMIC due to their attendance at the Four Southern Tribes Meeting

5. Chair / Staff Updates

- a. Staff provides an update on the removal of the antennas from the top of the Butte
  - i. Question about power for the seasonal displays
    - Once equipment is gone there will no longer be wired power
- b. Staff gives a brief update and information about the work occurring on 5<sup>th</sup> street as part of the waterline replacement being completed by Public Works
- c. Conditional approval has been received for Phase 1 Part 2 of the Flour Mill
- d. Staff gives an update about the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Streetscape project and the archaeology which will occur as part of the project
- e. The State Historic Preservation Office is working on a nomination for the Sandra Day O'Connor House

6. Current Events / Announcements / Future Agenda Items

Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm

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